

Re: Stormwater Tech Subgroup



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Jim - Karen's paper was just a short summary for the management team as a status of where the tech team was in the SW framework. The paper that I sent is the formal one that captures the process and it includes the DQOs. I want to be clear here that the sampling conducted here will not be sufficient for the RI/FS, but will be of great help in getting started in understanding storm water and identifying where more information needs to be collected (especially for FS and RD/RA). Usually, several years of this type of data are necessary at many outfalls to understand storm water and it's affects on a water body, including the sediments. Sadly, we have not been collecting this information nor are there plans to collect much of this information in the future. I'm hopeful that this sampling event will either confirm or deny the need to

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collect this information in the future.

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Subject Stormwater Tech Subgroup

Eric, Chip and Jim:

It may be buried in my email inbox, but I do not recall seeing any follow-up from our Management Team meeting Wednesday about the path forward for the stormwater tech subgroup. Since we are down to the wire in terms of settling the list of sites and the appropriate methodologies, I thought I would circulate my thoughts on the subject:

A) Since time is of the essence, I would like to see the tech subgroup come to resolution by mid-next week. It would be great if they can reach consensus on the list and locations of each sample, and the appropriate methodologies. If not, the tech subgroup should report to the management team and highlight any impasse(s). I think we as managers should weigh the options and attempt to come to agreement on a path forward. It is critical to do so in a timely manner, because the final package will have to go before LWG Exec for approval (i.e., to ensure it meets the conditions set by our Senior Managers). Eric, I know you are concerned about this parliamentary step, but it is an unavoidable procedure we must go through. Having the tech subgroup wrap-up next week will help us get through

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Exec by end of December.

B) As I stated Wednesday, Karen's summary memo did a good job of laying out the process. However, I believe it is critical to restate the three DQOs at the beginning of the memo, with the recognition that DQOs 1 and 2 (impact to surface water and recontamination of sediment) are shared by the LWG in-water RI/FS and the DEQ JSCS. DQO 3 (source tracing) is strictly a source control objective, and therefore not part of this shared effort (Kristine, I think you did a good job articulating this point Wednesday). A clear representation of the DQOs will help the tech subgroup establish that the list of sites and sampling locations, and the sampling/analytical methodologies, are appropriate and adequate for addressing DQOs 1 and 2 (this is similar to the table Carl generated, and the tech subgroup may want to use this as a starting point).

I hope this helps, and if others have comments or suggestions about the path forward please feel free to chime in.

Thanks,

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